# Nastaran Sedehi

sedehi.nastaran@gmail.com +98 937 530 0399 Personal Website

#### Education

Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran, Iran

(Sept. 2016- Sept. 2019)

M.A. in Architecture.

Cumulative GPA: 17.35/20 (3.7/4)

Dissertation's topic: The Right to the City; A Rethinking of the Role of Architects in Processes of Improving Informal Settlements

Supervised by Dr. Seyed Hossein Iradj Moeini, Pante-a Hakimian

Art University of Isfahan, Isfahan, Iran

(Sept. 2011-Sept. 2015)

B.A. in Architecture.

Cumulative GPA: 18.10/20 (3.9/4)

Final Project's topic: Improving Golshan Neighborhood, Isfahan, Iran

## Research Experience

Participatory Interventions in the Context of Informal Settlements (Oct. 2020- Present)
Research Assistant at Urban Regeneration Corporation of Iran

Working on possible participatory actions in the context of Iran's informal settlements Assists Dr. Seyed Hossein Iradj Moeini

Urban Micro-units

(Sept. 2020- Present)

Research Assistant at Tehran Urban Innovation Center (TUIC)

Working on micro-unit prototypes as an alternative for social housing programs in Iran Assists Nashid Nabian, Avisa Yazdani

The Role of Architects in Informal Settlements-Claiming the Right to the City,
 Springer's Urban Book Series (Nov. 2019- Present)

Lead Author in collaboration with Dr. Seyed Hossein Iradj Moeini

Working on the first draft of the book whose proposal was accepted by Springer on September 9, 2020

 The Right to the City; A Rethinking of the Role of Architects in Processes of Improving Informal Settlements (Dec. 2017- Sep. 2019)
 Master's dissertation project supervised by Dr. Seyed Hossein Iradj Moeini, Pante-a Hakimian

Worked on possible architectural interventions in the context of informal settlements based on Henri Lefebvre's idea of the Right to the City

Crime Prevention and the Built Environment; an Approach to Create Safe
 Environment through Using SpaceSyntax Analysis (Oct. 2017- Dec. 2017)

Worked on crime prevention in public space through analyzing visual controllability of spaces

#### **Publication**

 N. Sedehi, S.H.I. Moeini, The Role of Architects in Informal Settlements-Claiming the Right to the City, Springer (Under Preparation) A book title for Springer's Urban Book Series

The proposal for the book was submitted on July 7, 2020, and it was accepted on September 9, 2020. Currently, the first draft of the book is under preparation which is supposed to be delivered to *Springer* by the end of September 2021.

Research
Interests

- Social Equity and Architectural Practice
- Community Engagement and Architectural Practice
- Housing for Marginalized and vulnerable Groups
- The Right to the City and Active Citizenship
- Urban Acupuncture
- Tactical Urbanism
- Henri Lefebvre's Theory of Space

### Relevant Courses

• Studying Cities: Social Science Methods for Urban Research

By Erasmus University Rotterdam on Coursera

The City and You: Find Your Best Place

By University of Toronto on Coursera

Cities Are Back in Town: Urban Sociology for a Globalizing Urban World

By Sciences Po on Coursera

Introduction to GIS Mapping

By University of Toronto on Coursera

## Teaching Experience

Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran, Iran

Teaching Assistant
Design Studio I, assisted Dr. Azadeh Khaki Ghasr

Supervised the works of 25 first year Architecture's Bachelor students

Architecture Specialized Academy, Tehran, Iran

Instructor

Architectural Drawing, Architectural Presentation Methods

Taught to more than 50 Architecture students

Art University of Isfahan, Isfahan, Iran

Teaching Assistant

Design Studio II, assisted Dr. Armin Bahramian

Supervised the works of 15 third year Architecture's Bachelor students

# Work Experience

Ayeneh Office, Tehran, Iran

Worked on several housing projects as an Architectural Designer

Was in charge of more than 20 housing projects Worked in collaboration with 6 other colleagues

Language Proficiency English: TOEFL IBT: 100/120

R:28/30 L:26/30 S:23/30 W:23/30

Persian (Farsi): Native

### Software Skills

Architectural Softwares

Sketchup / 3ds Max / Rhino / Revit / Archicad / V-ray / Twinmotion / Depthspace

- Research Tools Citavi, Mendeley
- Graphic and Presentation Tools

Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Indesign, Prezi

# Volunteer Experience

Influential member of <u>Bahamestan</u>

(April 2019- Present)

(Sept. 2017- July 2018)

(Sept. 2016-June 2017)

(Sept. 2016- Jan. 2017)

(Dec. 2018- July 2019)

(Tested on Sept. 6, 2020)

A non-governmental Organization, the supporter of citizens' Right to the City in Iran

Participateing in monthly gatherings of the organization Supported Bahamestan's Housing for Poor campaign Leading member of Editorial Board of Rowzaneh
 (Nov. 2017- Sept. 2019)
 The official publication of Shahid Beheshti University Architecture Students' Association

Reviewed more than 20 articles received from Architecture and Urban Planning students Published multiple non-scholarly articles in 5 issues of Rowzaneh

Influential member of Shahid Beheshti University Architecture Students' Association
 Participated actively in the association's programs (Oct. 2016- Sept. 2019)

### Honors and Awards

Ranked top 5 percent during Master studies

(Sept. 2019)

Awarded the honorary mention in Design for Kids architectural competition

(Apr. 2017)

 Ranked within the top 0.1 percent in Iranian University Entrance Exam for Master's degree in Architecture, Ranked 25 among approximately 20,000 (Sept. 2016)

Ranked top 5 percent during Bachelor studies

(Sept. 2015)

#### References

### Dr. Seyed Hossein Iradi Moeini

h\_moeini@sbu.ac.ir

Assistant Professor of Architecture, Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism, Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran, Iran

### Dr. Atefeh Karbasi

a\_karbasi@sbu.ac.ir

Assistant Professor of Architecture, Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism, Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran, Iran

### Dr. Pante-a Hakimian

p hakimian@sbu.ac.ir

Assistant Professor of Urban Design, Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism, Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran, Iran

#### Dr. Azadeh Khaki Ghasr

a\_khakighasr@sbu.ac.ir

Assistant Professor of Architecture, Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism, Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran, Iran

#### Dr. Armin Bahramian

a.bahramian@aui.ac.ir

Assistant Professor of Architecture, Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism, Art University of Isfahan, Isfahan, Iran